HELIOS:
Registration & Add/Drop

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Waitlist Processing

Different from Registration Process with different rules

- It will **NOT** consider your current schedule when sending out offers
- If there is space and a waitlist, it will **ALWAYS** make an offer to the next on the waitlist
- Do **NOT** drop classes in anticipation of an offer. It might not come!

Waitlist Window – 24-Hours

Check your HLS email or HELIOS at least once daily!
Add/Drop
Schedule Conflicts

For example:

- You are currently enrolled in Animal Law.
- *Animal Law* meets on Wednesday nights from 5pm to 7pm.
- You attempt to enroll in *Capital Markets Regulation* which also meets on Wednesday nights from 5pm to 7pm.
- Given the conflict, you cannot enroll in both and will need to make a choice between the two courses.
Schedule Conflict Message

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Drop conflicting course "Animal Law (Stilt)" and enroll in "Capital Markets Regulation (Scott)"?

[No] [Yes]
Schedule Conflict: Select Yes

Dropped: "Animal Law (Stilt)"; Added: "Capital Markets Regulation (Scott)"

If you select “Yes,” you will drop your current enrollment and add into the new course.

- If your current enrollment has a waitlist, you will **NOT** be able to reverse this transaction.
Schedule Conflict: Select No

If you select “No,” you will remain in your current enrollment and will not be added into the new course.
Credit Overload Conflict

For example:

You are currently enrolled in the following courses in the spring term:

- Con Law: First Amendment (4 credits)
- Animal Law (2 credits)
- Adv. Environmental Law (3 credits)

Total: 11 credits

You attempt to add *Administrative Law*, a 4 credit course.

Since enrollment in this course will result in a credit overload, you will not be able to add the new course to your schedule until you drop at least 3 credits from your current enrollments.
Credit Overload Conflict

Enrollment in "Administrative Law (Vermeule)" (4.00 credits) would result in a credit load of 15.00. The credit limit is 12.00. Would you like to drop one of the following enrollments to continue?

- Constitutional Law: First Amendment (Horwitz) (4.00 credits)
- Advanced Environmental Law in Theory and Application (Lazarus) (3.00 credits)

Animal Law and Japanese Business Law are not listed to swap, because both are only 2 credits and would not free up enough space for a 4-credit course.
Credit Overload Conflict: Select Yes

If you select “Yes,” you will drop your current enrollment and add into the new course.

• If your current enrollment has a waitlist, you will **NOT** be able to reverse this transaction.
Credit Overload Conflict: Select No

If you select “No,” you will remain in your current enrollment and will not be added into the new course.
Duplicate Course Conflict

For example:

You are currently enrolled in Prof. Horwitz’s Constitutional Law: First Amendment course.

You attempt to enroll in Prof. Field’s Constitutional Law: First Amendment course.

Given that you cannot be enrolled in the same course offering more than once (regardless of term), you will have to make a choice between the two offerings.
Duplicate Course Conflict

Drop duplicate course "Constitutional Law: First Amendment (Horwitz)" and enroll in "Constitutional Law: First Amendment (Field)"?
Duplicate Course Conflict: Select Yes

If you select “Yes,” you will drop your current enrollment and add into the new course.

- If your current enrollment has a waitlist, you will **NOT** be able to reverse this transaction.

Dropped: "Constitutional Law: First Amendment (Horwitz)"; Added: "Constitutional Law: First Amendment (Field)"
Duplicate Course Conflict: Select No

If you select “No,” you will remain in your current enrollment and will not be added into the new course.
Prerequisites & Co-requisites: What are they?

Prerequisites:
- A required course that must be completed **prior** to the course with the prerequisite.
- For example: *Taxation of Businesses* (spring) requires students to complete *Taxation* prior to enrolling. Therefore, you will need to enroll in a fall *Taxation* section before you are able to add into this course.*

Co-requisites:
- A required course that can be completed **concurrently** with the course with the noted co-requisite.
- For example: *Mergers, Acquisitions, and Split-Ups* (fall) requires LLM students to complete a *Corporations* course concurrently in the fall term. Therefore, you will need to add into a fall *Corporations* section before you are able to add into this course.*

*Unless you have received a requisite waiver.*
Prerequisites & Co-requisites: Waivers

Our registration system can only verify courses completed at HLS.

If an HLS course requires a pre or co-requisite and you have completed a satisfactory course outside of HLS, you must follow up with the instructor for permission to waive the requisite.

If approved, forward the confirmation email to the Registrar’s Office at registrar@law.harvard.edu ASAP.

We recommend contacting faculty early for waivers, especially if you are waiting on waitlist offers.

Waitlist offers are processed automatically and expire in 24-hours, if you do not satisfy a requisite and do not have a waiver, we CANNOT extend your offer and you will miss out on your chance to enroll.
Prerequisite Conflicts: Fall Term

For example:

You attempt to add *U.S. Aspects of International Income Taxation*.

This is a fall term course that has a prerequisite of *Taxation*.

You have not completed a *Taxation* course at HLS in a previous term and receive the following error message:
Prerequisite Conflicts: Fall Term

Given that *U.S. Aspects of International Income Taxation* is a fall course and you could not have completed the prerequisite at HLS in a prior term, you must contact the faculty member to request a waiver.

If approved by the faculty member, contact the Registrar’s Office and they will update your record so that you will be able to either add the course or accept your waitlist offer.
Prerequisite Conflicts: Winter or Spring Term

For example, you attempt to add Research Seminar in the First Amendment.

This is a spring term course that has a prerequisite of Constitutional Law: First Amendment.

You have not completed a Constitutional Law: First Amendment course at HLS before, nor are you enrolled in one for the fall term.

You receive the following error message:
Prerequisite Conflicts: Winter or Spring Term

You can resolve a prerequisite conflict in the winter or spring term in one of two ways:

1) You can request a requisite waiver from the faculty member.

OR

2) You can enroll in a fall section of Constitutional Law: First Amendment.

Once you’ve enrolled in a fall section of Constitutional Law: First Amendment, you will be able to go back and add into the spring Research Seminar.

A spring section of Constitutional Law: First Amendment will not satisfy the prerequisite.
Co-requisite Conflicts: All Terms

For example: you attempt to add into *Mergers, Acquisitions, and Split-ups*.

This is a fall term course that has a co-requisite for LLMs of *Corporations*.

You are not enrolled in a fall section of *Corporations* and receive the error message below:

>Error: You have not met the necessary requisites.
Co-requisite Conflicts: All Terms

You can resolve a co-requisite conflict in one of two ways:

1) You can request a requisite waiver from the faculty member.

OR

2) You can enroll in a fall section of Corporations.

Once you’ve enrolled in a fall section of Corporations, you will be able to go back and add into Mergers & Acquisition.

A spring section of Corporations would not satisfy the co-requisite for this specific course.
Multiple Conflict Errors

For example, you are currently enrolled in the following courses in the spring term:

- Administrative Law (4 credits)
- Con Law: First Amendment (4 credits)
- Adv. Topics in Trusts Law (1 credit)
- Adv. Environmental Law (3 credits)

Total of 12 credits.

You attempt to add a different spring Constitutional Law: First Amendment section.

Given that you are already at your credit max and enrolled in a Constitutional Law: First Amendment section, you will **not** be able to add this new course and will need to drop accordingly.
Multiple Conflict Errors Message

For any error messages that pop up in red, you must actively discard those by selecting the “X”.
Multiple Conflict Errors: Action to be Taken

For multiple conflict errors, you will **not** receive a swap prompt.

You will have to drop the necessary classes in order to correct both conflicts.

Once you have dropped the courses necessary to resolve your conflicts, you will then be able to add the new course to your schedule.
Multiple Conflict Errors: Things to keep in mind

Multiple conflict errors can be any combination and any number of the conflicts:

- Schedule
- Credit Overload
- Duplicate Course
- Pre- or Co- Requisites

You must address each conflict accordingly before you can add into the new course you’re interested in.
Cross-Registration & Auditing
Cross-Registration: How-to

All HLS students may cross-register into other Harvard schools, MIT, and the Fletcher School at Tufts.

To apply:
- Into another Harvard School: complete an online petition through my.HARVARD
- Into MIT: the old cross-registration portal
- Into Fletcher at Tufts: complete a non-Harvard cross-registration paper form
Cross-Registration: Things to keep in mind

Enrollment must be approved by the Graduate Program Office through my.Harvard

Thereafter, enrollment is confirmed by HLS Registrar
- May petition for and hold as many approved courses from the host school until a cross-registration course is confirmed
- Final confirmed course(s) will appear in your HELIOS schedule

HLS converts cross-registration credits
- 700 minutes per credit, minimum

Enroll in a full course load at HLS
- You will be able to drop an HLS course late without penalty, if necessary.

Review the Academic Calendar and policies for all schools.
Auditing: How-to

**HLS Course:** Complete Request to Audit Form, submit to the Registrar’s Office by the term deadline.

The faculty member’s signature is required.
- If the faculty member’s signature is missing, your request will be denied.
- A signed form does **not** guarantee placement.

After the add/drop period, if it is determined that space is available in the course, the student will be notified that he/she may attend.

**Auditing Elsewhere:** Harvard and affiliated schools all have different processes, please review their policies and processes.
Policies and Forms

FORMS

- Document Request Form (Certificate of Attendance, No Rank/No GPA Letter, etc.)
- Change of Name Form
- CPT Written Work Registration Form
- HIO Form for CPT
- JD Graduation Worksheet
- New York Bar Handwriting
- Request to Audit Form
- SJD Request to Audit Form
Auditting: Things to keep in mind

Potential auditors may sit in on the course until an official decision is made.

- Unless physical seats are not available.

If multiple students request to audit the same course and there is not enough space to seat them all, the audit requests will be processed on a first come/first served basis after HLS SJD students who have first priority.

Auditors cannot sit for the exam & will not receive a grade.

The audited course at HLS, other Harvard schools, or affiliated schools will NOT appear on your HLS transcript.
Questions?

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